ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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The present invention provides an information processing apparatus including first display control means, icon-specifying means and second display control means. The first display control means controls a display of a plurality of first icons on a first hierarchical layer, a plurality of second icons on a second hierarchical layer at a level lower than the first hierarchical layer\so as to exhibit an array of the first icons as a column or a row on a screen and an array of the second icons as another column or another row on the screen according to the size of a display area on the The icon-specifying means specifies a desired icon from the first or second icons. The second display control means changes the array hierarchical structure displayed on the screen so as \setminus to display a plurality of third icons to replace the second icons in the array hierarchical structure on the screen and display the \smallsetminus second icons to replace the first\icons in the array hierarchical structure on the screen when the iconspecifying means specifies one of the second icons in the array hierarchical structure.